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U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 10/593,472

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ENCLOSURES:

1. Letter to the Commissioner of Patents dated November 21, 2007;
2. copy of Communication issued by the USPTO dated July 25, 2007;

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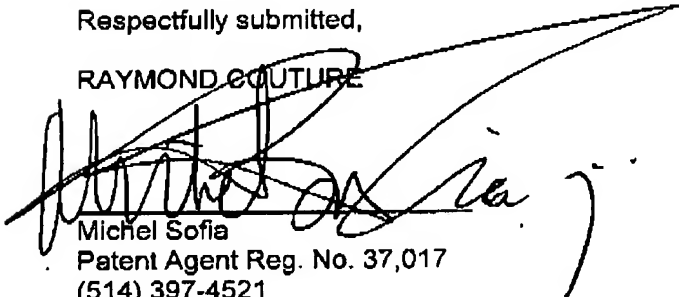
We hereby refer to a Communication issued on July 25, 2007, in connection with the above-mentioned patent application. A copy of said communication is annexed hereto.

Applicant would like to know when the USPTO expects to issue the Notification of acceptance and Filing Receipt.

We look forward to hearing from you in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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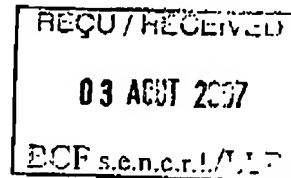


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RESPONSE TO
STATUS INQUIRY

This communication is responsive to the 23 March 2007 and 19 June 2007 requests for the status of the notification of acceptance and filing receipt for the above application.

Our records show that the application is in the initial processing phase, which currently takes approximately 10-12 months. The notification of acceptance and filing receipt have not been mailed. The application will be taken up in turn and the initial processing and review will be completed in due course.


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